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LATEST FROM WASHINGTON.

Rebel Officers of the "Florida" Returned to "Wachusett."

THEY ARE TO BE SENT WITH THEIR PRIVATEER TO A BRAZILIAN PORT.

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Special to The Evening Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, November 26.—Information from the Army of the Potomac is to the effect that Thanksgiving day was truly a festive occasion among the soldiers.

Since the news of President Lincoln's reelection has been distributed in the Regency, the deceptions to our lines have increased largely.

It is stated by the reporters that the number of soldiers known to be watching for favorable opportunities to escape to our lines is now approaching, and the alarmization is so general that the officers fear to trust any of their troops on picket.

They have lost confidence, it is stated, even in the South Carolina and Virginia troops.

Arrival of Exchanged Prisoners at Annapolis.

BALTIMORE, November 26.—The Annapolis correspondent of the *Journal*, writing on Friday evening, says:—Two of the first vessels comprising Colonel Milford's fleet of transports arrived here to-day with paroled men from Savannah.

The steamer was the *Athena*; Captain Gray, and *Blackstone*, Captain Berry, the former having on board 649 living skeletons and eight dead bodies. Nine others were buried on the passage.

Such was the wretched state of these poor men, that our surgeons were themselves appalled at the awful sight. Not a single man of the whole number had to be sent to the hospitals, many to leave them only for the grave.

The hospital steamer *Connecticut*, from City Point, reports all quiet and with little picket firing going on. There is great anxiety in the City to hear from Sherman.

The *Connecticut* brought up three hundred and three disabled men, mostly sick with fevers. This morning the renowned California hunter, Seth Kinsman, presented President Lincoln with a chair constructed of antlers of the elk.

THE WAR IN TENNESSEE.

General Burbridge at Cumberland Gap.

ADVANCE OF GENERAL HOOD.

THE STRENGTH OF HIS ARMY.

OUR TROOPS CONCENTRATED AT COLUMBIA.

A Battle Expected There.

Louisville, November 25.—About thirty of Jessie's men were at Shelbyville last night, robbing stores, &c. Jessie was at Eminence when the same time, plundering the people. Federal forces were sent out from Frankfort to-day to look for him.

General Burbridge, with his command, has arrived at Cumberland Gap.

An accidental fire occurred at the State Penitentiary, Frankfort, last night, which destroyed the chair factory, blacksmith and coopers' shops \$20,000.

Rumors prevail here which, if verified, would be contradicted—that Hood's army was marching on Wednesday against Palatka. His forces is said to consist of 30,000 men, one-third cavalry and ten batteries of artillery, including reinforcements from Forrest and Dick Taylor. Hood will either fight at Columbia, or leaving Columbia to the N.C. march into East Tennessee and join Breckinridge. It is possible a battle will be fought at Columbia to-day.

A Rebel Colonel was killed in a skirmish yesterday. A detachment of our cavalry were driven in within three miles of Columbia, when the Rebels were repulsed by our infantry.

On Wednesday our forces withdrew from Palatka, and are supposed to be concentrated at Columbia. No damage to Palatka for the present.

SITUATION IN THE SOUTHWEST.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Although nothing has been received from Sherman which places his ultimate success beyond doubt, still the news of yesterday and to-day, through Southern sources, indicates that up to Monday last nothing had occurred to interrupt his progress. On the contrary, leaving Macon on his right bank guarded by Cobb's "men-in-burkans," he pushed forward, and was on Monday within eighteen miles of Millidgeville, the capital of Georgia, while his cavalry were in advance, tearing up the railroad between Augusta and Atlanta, and also that between Savannah and Macon.

Rebels acknowledge that thus far Sherman has found plenty of supplies along his route, and that the negroes are actively attaching themselves to his army as pioneers. Thus it results that the slaves, whom Jeff Davis would make fight the battles of the South, are giving to our invading army every assistance in their power, though to clear and cut roads, bringing supplies to our troops, and acting as guides, besides giving to our corps commanders a great deal of valuable information. It is evidently the design of the Rebel leaders to allow Sherman to further penetrate the State of Georgia, where they oppose his advance by any military force which they may be able to gather at Augusta and Savannah. Anyhow, however, Sherman has met with no opposition beyond the curse of the country through which he has passed, and the malice of the Richmond editors.

The people of Georgia have been thrown into such a state of fear by this grand demonstration that they are perfectly paralyzed, and have excited the commiseration of Beauregard, who is now on his way to that State. A week ago, Friday, he left Hazel's army, which was at Tuscaloosa, Ala., preparing for a march into Middle Tennessee. Upon the same day he reached Corinth, in the northwestern corner of Mississippi, and issued an appeal to the people of Georgia, in which he promised soon to be with them, and drive the invaders from their soil. As soon, however, as Beauregard left Hood, the latter started on his invasion of Tennessee.

He is now reported at Waynesboro, about twenty miles north of the Tennessee line, and seventy southwest of Nashville. Thomas, however, is upon his right flank, and will doubtless move in good season on his rear. Hood's forces do not number over thirty-five thousand men and forty pieces of artillery, while Thomas fully equates him in strength, without reference to other forces which we have in the State. Thus the campaign of the armies of the South west have begun, and the time cannot long be delayed before we hear of victories of great importance to our cause.

Seizure of a Vessel.

PORTLAND, Maine, November 26.—The steam revenue cutter *Mahoning* seized a vessel yesterday under suspicious circumstances, in Johns' Bay, near Pemaquid. The vessel had cleared from Montreal for New York. The case was referred to Washington.

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THE CENTRAL GEORGIA ROAD CUT AT GRISWOLDVILLE.

ATLANTA, November 26.—Information came to us that the rebels had cut the road between

Broadway and Twenty-sixth streets, but that it was in slight damage. It originated in one of the bed rooms, and the strong smell of phosphorus that pervaded the apartment, and the proximity of matches to the bed-clothes, disclosed the fact that the fire was the work of an incendiary. The

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